

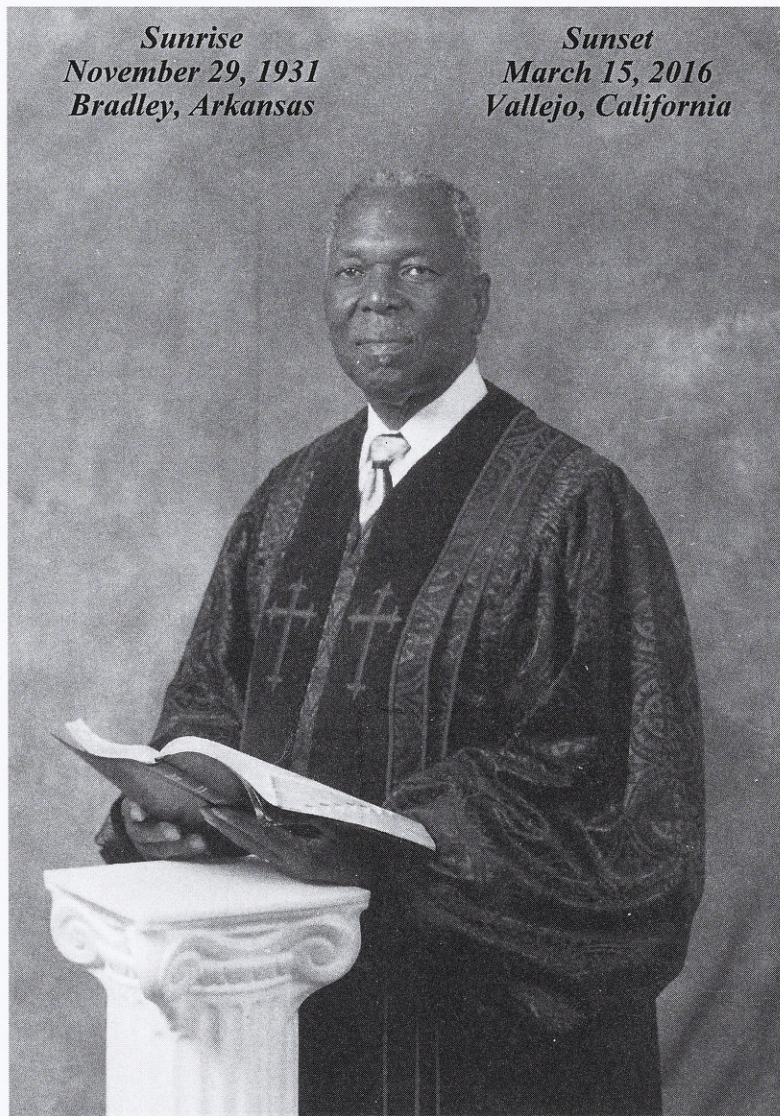
HOMEGOING CELEBRATION

for

SUPERINTENDENT BOOKER T. TURNER

Sunrise
November 29, 1931
Bradley, Arkansas

Sunset
March 15, 2016
Vallejo, California



Celebrations Held:

Friday, March 25, 2016
7:00 p.m.
Corinthian Church of God In Christ
1101 Benicia Road
Vallejo, California

Supt. Booker T. Turner, Pastor
Elder Anthony P. Brown, Master of Ceremony

Saturday, March 26, 2016
11:00 a.m.
Old Path Miracle Cathedral
500 Arkansas
Vallejo, California
Supt. Harold Johnson, Jr., Pastor

Bishop Johnathan D. Logan, Sr., Jurisdictional Prelate
Supt. Dr. Lodgie S. James, Sr., Celebration Faciliator

MY LIFE STORY

Superintendent Booker T. Turner

Introduction

My life story began on November 29, 1931, when I was born to Fred and Nesie Turner in Bradley, Arkansas. I am the fourth of twelve children. Now, let me tell you a little bit about my life.

Chapter 1

A Soldier Man...A Working Man

I served in the Army as a medic on the frontline during the Korean War. I worked to save lives, and I refused to carry a firearm. While on the frontline, God protected my life from dangers seen and unseen. I was covered under the blood of Jesus; it was just God, me and my medic bag. The only injury I sustained while in the Army was a cut on my leg when I bumped into a tent post. If God can't do it, it can't be done!

I came to California with my uncle, the late Kelly Easter, Sr. I worked at the Benicia Arsenal and later worked at Travis Air Force Base as a Motor Vehicle Operator until I retired in 1986. I held many other jobs throughout my lifetime to take care of my wife and family including working my own janitorial business with my sons, store clerk at Payless Store and Short Stop, and I opened, owned, and operated the B. T. Family Restaurant on Sonoma Boulevard. After I retired from Travis Air Force Base, I returned to school and obtained my GED.

Chapter 2

Marriage and Family – A New Beginning

While serving in the Army, my sister Earlene would write letters to me about things going on back home. I was glad to get her letters. She would tell me about some singing sisters known as the Johnson Sisters; Joyce Earlene, Georgia Mae, and Clotee. When she described Joyce Earlene, I said to myself, "I'm going to marry that girl when I get home". So when I returned home to Arkansas, I went to visit Mother Nettie B. Johnson. But really, it was Joyce Earlene I was going to see. And on August 14, 1955, in a little white church, we were married. We moved to California where we settled down and started our family. Our marriage added nine children, fourteen grandchildren, and ten great-grand children to our family tree. On August 14, 2015, we celebrated 60 years of marriage. My life was definitely made complete because of my beautiful wife by my side every step of the way.

Chapter 3

I'm Just a Country Boy – Salvation, Music, and Ministry

I had a great love for horses, and would sometimes ride my horse, Spirit (a Tennessee Walker), around the City of Vallejo. Some of my other horses included Blaze and Domino, both Appaloosas, two Shetland ponies, Rondo and Little Spirit, and Blondie, a Quarter horse. I used to love watching cowboy movies such as Bonanza, Big Valley, and The Gene Autry Show. As a boy, I would sit outside on the steps of the honky tonk (or in today's terms, the club) and sing cowboy songs, like "Clementine" (...and her shoes were number 9), until tears would roll down my face. At the age of 17, I decided I wasn't going to be called the "good boy" anymore, but was going to carry two guns (one on each side) like the cowboys and ride a bicycle. But once God saved me in a revival that was run by the late Mother Elizabeth Walker, I traded singing cowboy songs about Clementine and started singing songs of Zion like "How Great Thou Art", "Oh, Lord, Let Me Lean On You", "I've Got a Home in that Rock", "May the Works I've Done Speak for Me", and "I Won't Complain" until tears rolled down my face. I laid down the desire to carry those two guns and picked up my cross to follow Jesus.

I loved playing musical instruments such as the piano, the electric guitar, and the Hawaiian guitar. I served under the late Elder Haynes at the Mount Olive C.O.G.I.C. After moving to Vallejo, I joined the Vallejo Temple C.O.G.I.C. under the late Elder L. V. Ellenburg. It was there that I started a young boys' quartet group called the Voices of Angels. I also sang with the Shields Singers; my favorite song was "Precious Memories". I loved to sing solos until the power of the Lord came down.

My ministry began at the age of 33. I was ordained an Elder in 1974 under the late Bishop B. R. Stewart. I served in the Northern California 1st Jurisdiction under the late Bishop B. R. Stewart and the late Bishop L. C. Patton, as President of the Union Meeting, a Finance Board Member, and an Executive Board Member.

On January 5, 1975, I was called and appointed as Pastor of the Corinthian C.O.G.I.C., where I served faithfully as Pastor for 41 years. I had a vision to build a church, and on the 4th Sunday in June 1983, we broke ground for construction of the church at our current location, 1101 Benicia Road. My vision came into view when, in July 1983, construction of the church began. On May 6, 1984, I walked hand in hand with my wife and the Corinthian church congregation from Broadway Street to the new church on Benicia Road. On the 2nd Sunday in October 1987, we met another major milestone and burned the church mortgage.

I served as Assistant Superintendent of the New Covenant District under the late Superintendent Asberry Scott. In 1990, I served as Chairman of Transportation at the United National Auxiliaries Convention (UNAC). In January 1993, I was appointed Superintendent of the Progressive District. In October 1998, I was appointed 2nd Administrative Assistant of the Greater Northern California (GNC) 2nd Jurisdiction under the late Bishop Robert-Richard Carr. In January 2014, I was appointed 1st Administrative Assistant of the GNC 2nd Jurisdiction.

Chapter 4 **My Brand New Home**

I knew I didn't come here to stay; I was just a stranger passing through. I was living on borrowed time. As the Bible says in Psalm 90:10, "The days of our years are threescore years and ten; and if by reason of strength they be fourscore years, yet is their strength labour and sorrow; for it is soon cut off and we fly away. So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom." God blessed me to see 84 years. My old home began to really show signs of deterioration; more floor boards were creaking, my lights were growing dimmer, and the overall structure of this earthly house wasn't as sound as it used to be. I knew the Master Builder was working on a new home for me, but it wasn't quite ready. Then, on March 15, 2016 at 9:30 p.m., I received a call from the Master Builder letting me know that my new home was ready. I took one last look around my old, worn house, turned out the lights, closed the door, and at 9:40 p.m., I headed to my brand new home. I didn't need to take any suits or shoes with me because there was a new robe and new shoes waiting for me in my brand, new home.

I was preceded in death by my mother, Nesie Turner; my father, Fred Turner, Sr.; my sisters, Ava Turner, Eva Torrence, and Dollie Pates; my brother, L.C. Turner; my son-nephew, Jamie Omar Austin; and my grandson, Sir Kendrick D. Brown.

I know you will always cherish my memory. It was time for me to go, but I want you to know that I love you, my beautiful wife of 60 years, Joyce Earlene Turner. I love and appreciate you all, my dear children, Samuel Earl Turner (Sheila), Carolyn Lois Juanita Logan (Johnathan), Kenneth Wayne Turner, Elvin Dwain Turner (Jannie), Joyce Marie Turner, Yolanda Elaine Bartley (Rick), Jean Evelyn Turner (primary caregiver), Teresa Anita Turner, and Janice Renee Turner-Brown (primary caregiver); you all hold a special place in my heart. I love you, my grandchildren, Tony Wall, Brian Turner, Johnathan Logan (Amber), Kakeia Long (Daniel), David Logan (Shamilla), Lakita Vaughn (Rogers), Eartha Turner, Michael Logan (Sharrah), Ryan Bartley, Phillip Logan, Travis Bartley, Kennedy D. Brown, and Anayiah K. Brown. I love you, my great-grandchildren, Sanai Logan, Trevon Vaughn, Rogers Vaughn, Jesse Logan, Christian Vaughn, Sedrick Vaughn, Michael Logan, Jr., Noah Wall, Brooklyn Long, and Amara Logan. I love you, my two daughter-nieces, Rebecca Williams and Talitha Miller, and my two son-nephews, Jason Austin and Cameron Miller. I love you all with a special love, my brothers and sisters, Jerlene Collins, Earlene Madden, Fred Turner, Jr. (Trudy), Lonnie Turner (Earlene), Andrew Turner (Gloria), Dorlene (Dot) Harris (Theodore) (my special, personal nurse), and Dorris Hutcherson (Steve). I love you, my Nettie B. Johnson family brothers and sisters. I send my love to my host of aunts, nieces, nephews, and cousins. To my Corinthian Church family, I love and appreciate each and every one of you. Always remember, God wants a strong church...it takes a strong family to make a strong church. Always remember to be honest with yourself and honest with God!

I thank God for providing me with such a great family tree. Family, thank you all for being with me to the very end of my life on earth. My life would not have been the same without you. Remember that you can have a good and wonderful life because life is what you make it. Because of you, all of my good days outweighed my bad days; I won't complain. As you move forward in life, always remember to do things God's way. From now on, when you look for me, just look around the throne. I'll be singing with the angels in my new home; singing GLORY to his name that forever I've been changed. So, look for me around the throne. Now lift your hands and tell God, "Thank you!"

May God comfort your hearts and give you His peace until we meet again. To God be the glory or the things He has done. I love you one and all.

***The Order of Service
Friday, March 25, 2016
7:00 p.m.
Master of Ceremony
Elder Anthony P. Brown
Administrative Assistant
Corinthian Church of God In Christ***

Invocation *Elder John Vann*

Selection..... *The Turner Family*
"Take It To The Lord In Prayer"

Old Testament..... *Minister Charleston Jacobs*
Psalms 121:1-8

New Testament..... *Deacon Timothy Madden*
II Corinthian 5:1-6

Musical Selection..... *The Voices of Corinthian*

Words of Expressions

As A Friend..... *Mr. Coy Blake, Friend*

As His Barber..... *Brother Donald Long*

As A Spiritual Father..... *Sister Lowanna Newell-Bishop*

As A Pastor..... *Missionary Sherry Rogers*

As A Pastor..... *Mother Rosie Codwell*

As A Spiritual Father..... *Deacon Royster Martin*

As A Pastor, Brother-In-Law, and a Friend *Deacon Steve Hutcherson*

(3 minutes please)

Musical Selection..... *The Combs Family*

Words of Encouragement

Progressive District *Elder Wert Terry*

Missionary Marie Robinson

Elder Rufus Bradford

Special Sons *Elder Ken Martin*

Elder Wardelle House

Superintendent Harold Johnson, Jr.

Acknowledgement of Cards/Condolences *Sister Kim Jackson*

Resolutions..... *Sister Sondra Talley*

Obituary..... *Sister Florence "C.J." Madden*

Sermonic Selection..... *Sisters Dorris Hutcherson, Kim Jean', Zettie Gooden, Laura Heard*
"Lord , You've Been Good To Me"

Words of Encouragement..... *Bishop John Mark Johnson*
Missouri West Jurisdiction II Prelate

Viewing *Wiggins and Knipp Funeral Home*





Celebration of Life Services
For
First Administrative Assistant
SUPERINTENDENT BOOKER T. TURNER

Celebration Facilitator
Superintendent Dr. Lodgie S. James, Sr.
2nd Administrative Assistant
Greater Northern California Second Jurisdiction C.O.G.I.C.

Musical Prelude *Brother Carl Wheeler*

THE PROCESSIONAL
Jurisdictional Bishop, Visiting Bishops,
Administrative Assistants, Executive Board
State Officials, Superintendents, Elders, and The Turner Family

Prayer for Strength and Comfort *Superintendent Jeremiah Richardson*

READING OF THE HOLY SCRIPTURES
Old Testament *Superintendent Hosea Irving*
New Testament *Pastor Leonard Dew*

"The Armed Forces Salute"

Ministry of Music *The Voices of Corinthian*

STATEMENTS OF TRIBUTE AND CONSOLATION

Family Representations *Evangelist Teresa Turner, Daughter*
Deacon Fred Turner, Jr., Brother
Bishop Melvin Scott, Special Son
Bishop John Mark Johnson, Brother-in-Law

MUSICAL SELECTION
The Turner Sisters

Jurisdictional Department of Women *Supervisor Emma W. Person*
Jurisdictional Auxiliaries *Elder Anthony P. Brown*
Jurisdictional Pastors *Pastor Rodney Odom*
Superintendents *Superintendent Albert Williams, Sr.*
Area Bishops *Bishop Designee*

RESOLUTIONS

GNC2 Jurisdiction Department of Women Supervisor Emma W. Person
Greater Northern California Second Jurisdiction Pastor Louis B. Spicer, Jr.
Acknowledgement of Cards/Telegrams Mother Barbara Garrett

THE SCROLL OF LIFE

Mother Gwendolyn Riley

Presentation of the Messenger Superintendent Dr. Lodgie S. James, Sr.
2nd Administrative Assistant
Sermonic Solo Elder Elvin Dwain Turner

PROCLAMATION OF HOPE

Bishop Johnathan D. Logan, Sr.

Jurisdictional Prelate

Greater Northern California Second Jurisdiction
Church of God In Christ

Final Glimpse Till Glory Wiggins-Knipp Funeral Home

MUSICAL RECESSIONAL

THINE EARTHLY BED

Skyview Memorial Lawn
Vallejo, California



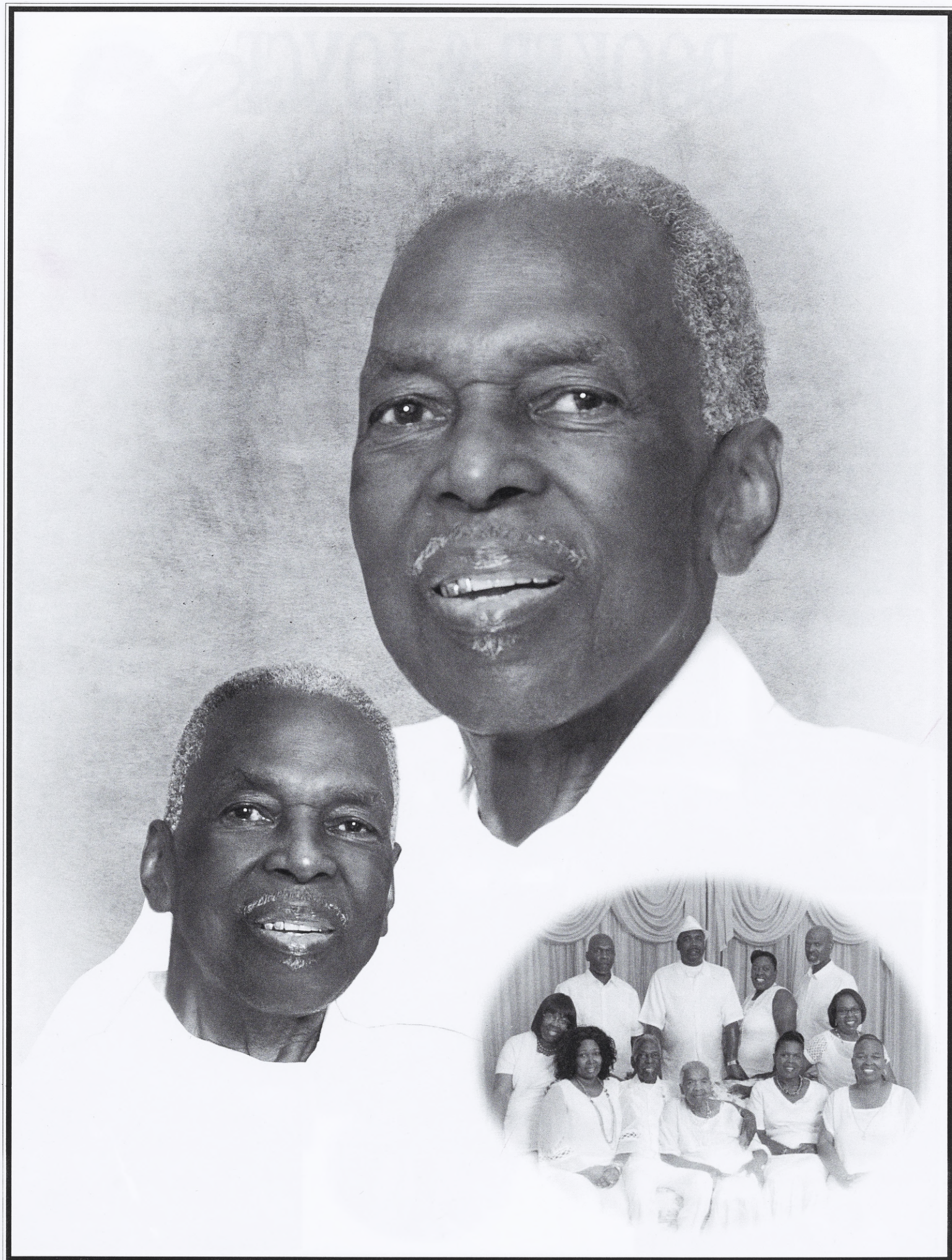
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Vallejo Women's Club
200 Valle Vista, Vallejo
(Corner of Couch and Valle Vista)



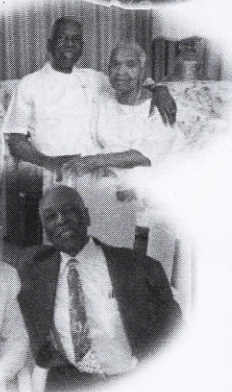
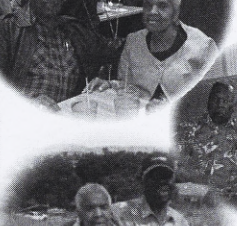
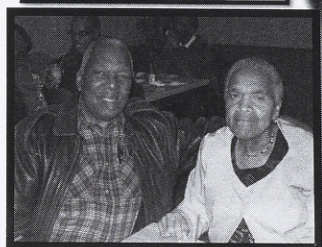
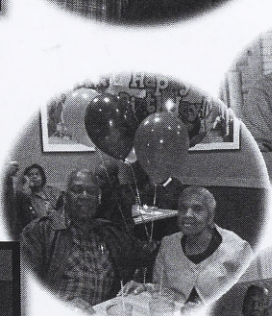
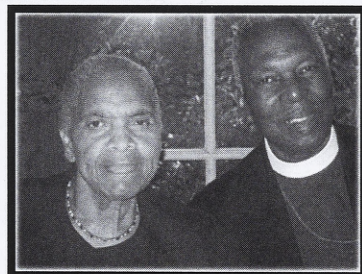
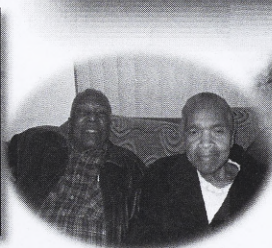
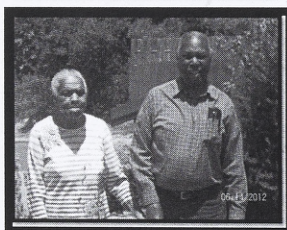
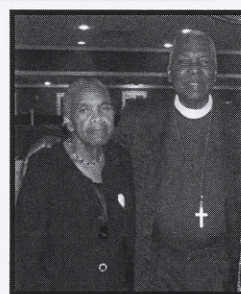
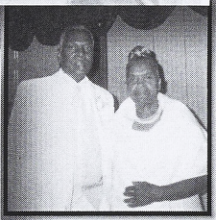
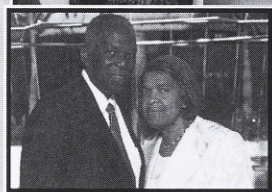
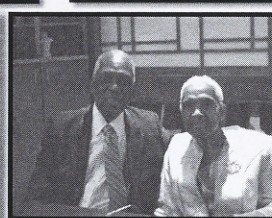
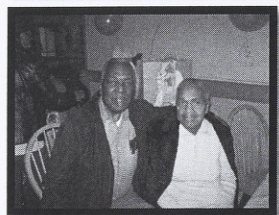
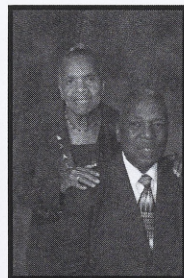
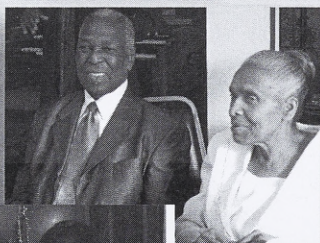
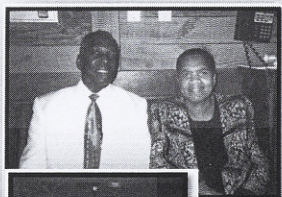
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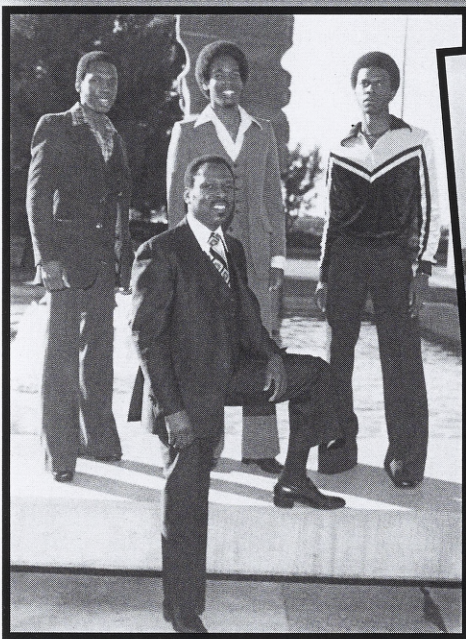
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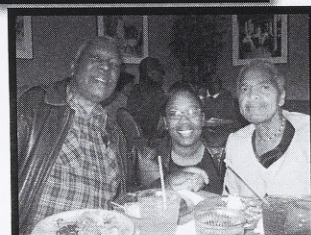
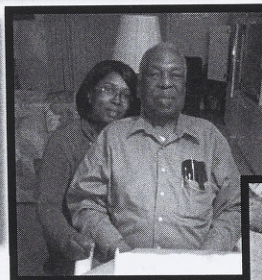
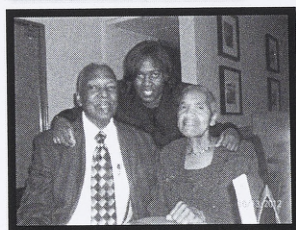
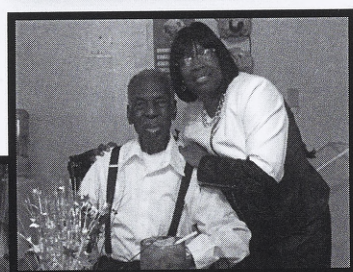
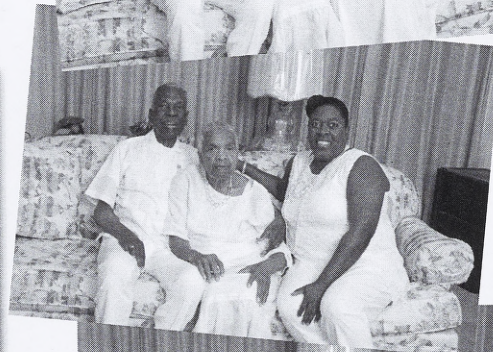
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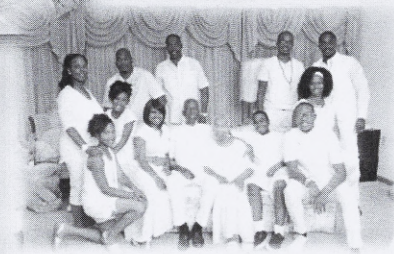
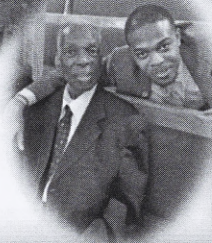
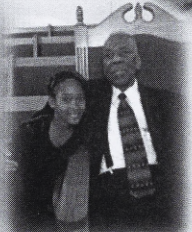
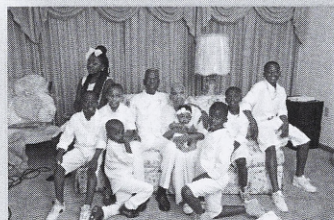
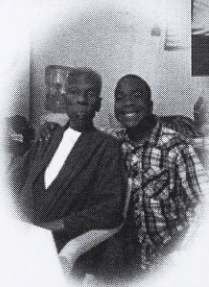
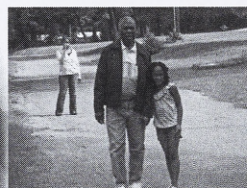
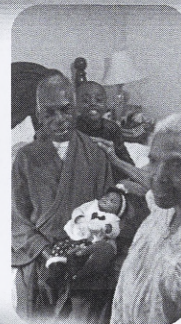
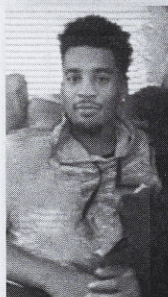
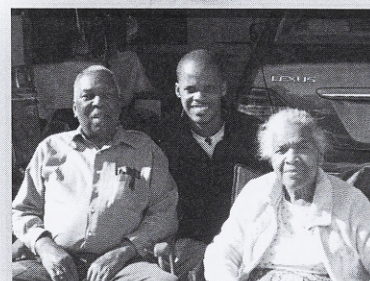
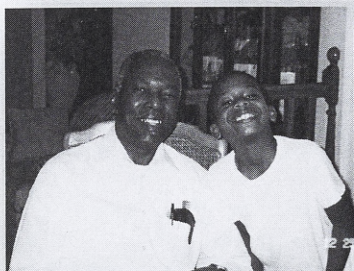
Dad and His Boys



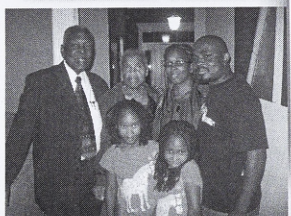
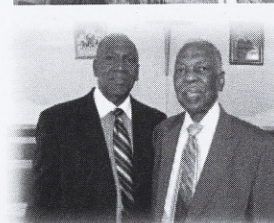
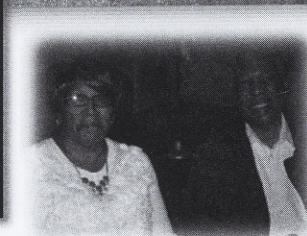
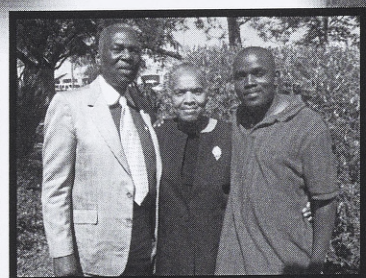
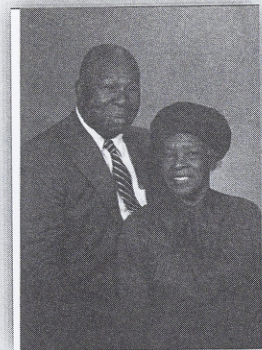
Daddy and His Girls



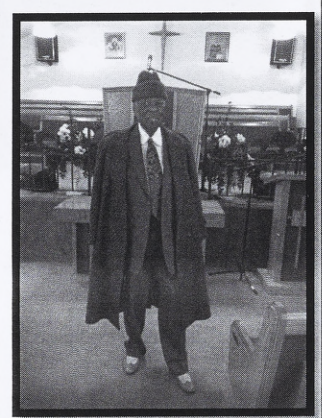
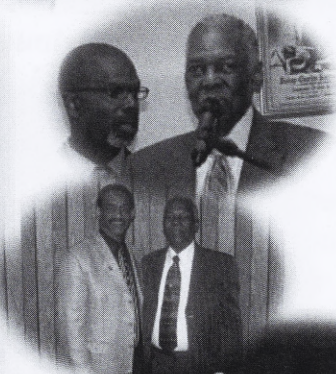
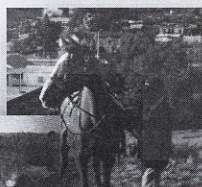
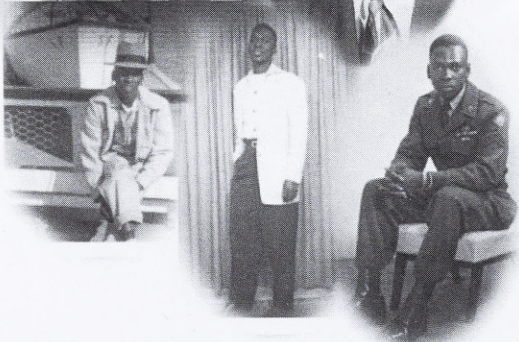
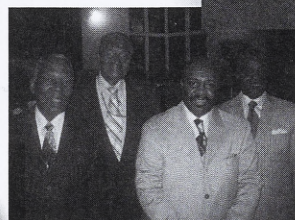
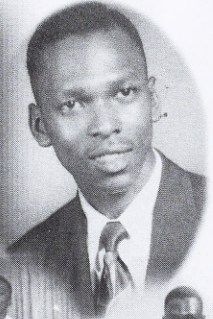
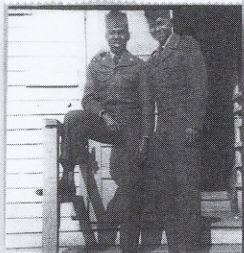
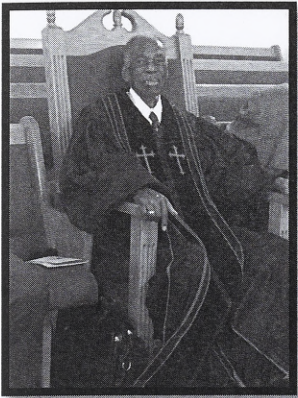
Our PaPa



A Family Man



What A Man!



Precious Memories





When someone makes an impression on you it is forever. The best way that I could describe it would be almost like there is a piece of you outside of your body in the world (because who they are added so much to who you are) so when that piece is gone you feel as if you lost a piece of your self and you are never quite whole, you continue living but you are not complete or really grounded like you were before. I lost a man this week that truly added to my being; not just because of the man he was but more so what he represented which was a good example which is a blessing to have because not everyone gets that.

With my uncle I saw a loving father that made family his top priority. I saw a man that was fearless (even when he may not have always felt that way inside.) I saw a business man that started his own restaurant and ice cream shop. I saw a cow boy who loved to watch Bonanza and cared for horses. I saw a man that

appreciated nice cars (Cadillacs to be exact.) I saw a man that knew finance and investing was the key to independence. I saw a man who knew and appreciated the value of time. I saw a man with great taste in picking his wife! (my aunt Joyce is my heart!) I saw a man with the perfect balance of faith, wisdom and rationality! I saw a man who loved me and my siblings so much that we just knew we were one of his kids. I saw those things and so much more!

Because of him and men like him in my life when I would see the various negative ways black men were being portrayed in the media (which would have you thinking that great black men does not exist) I would see those parodies for the lies that they really were! The greatest thing he gave to me was an example, perspective and unconditional love. What I have learned from him, my Father, my brothers Kenny, Dwayne and Sam I take with me every day and I am forever grateful and better for it!

This experience just reminded me how memories that take a life time to build can feel like they went by in seconds when someone you loves leaves you. That's why it's important to have as many good memories as possible to process, reminisce, reflect, laugh and cry to when they are no longer here in the flesh. He meant so much too so many (to be honest what better thing to be able to leave behind, I hope to be so lucky) but to me he was my other Dad! Once again thanks for letting me share with you! Take care! J



ACTIVE PALLBEARERS

Travis J. Bartley
Johnathan D. Logan, Jr.
David M. Logan
Michael C. Logan

Phillip N. D. Logan
Brian E. Turner
Rogers Vaughn

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Jason Austin
Samuel E. Turner
Kenneth W. Turner
Elvin Dwain Turner
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Fred Turner, Jr.
Lonnie Turner
Andrew Turner
Cameron Miller
The Voices of Angels
George McGraw



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